

UTAH - WEEKLY INFLUENZA SUMMARY

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Influenza Activity in Utah:

As of present, there is little evidence of sustained influenza activity in the state. Five reports of laboratory-confirmed influenza cases (3 Type A, 1 Type B and 1 Type A and B) have been reported to the UDOH. This website will be updated every Wednesday at 1:00 PM.

As of 11/22/2006, no pediatric influenza-associated deaths has been reported in Utah for the current season.

National influenza surveillance data can be found at www.cdc.gov/flu.

Please note, states determine for themselves how to estimate weekly influenza activity. The classification system used in Utah primarily serves to provide a geographical description of how influenza is circulating in the state. Currently, Utah is reporting sporadic activity.

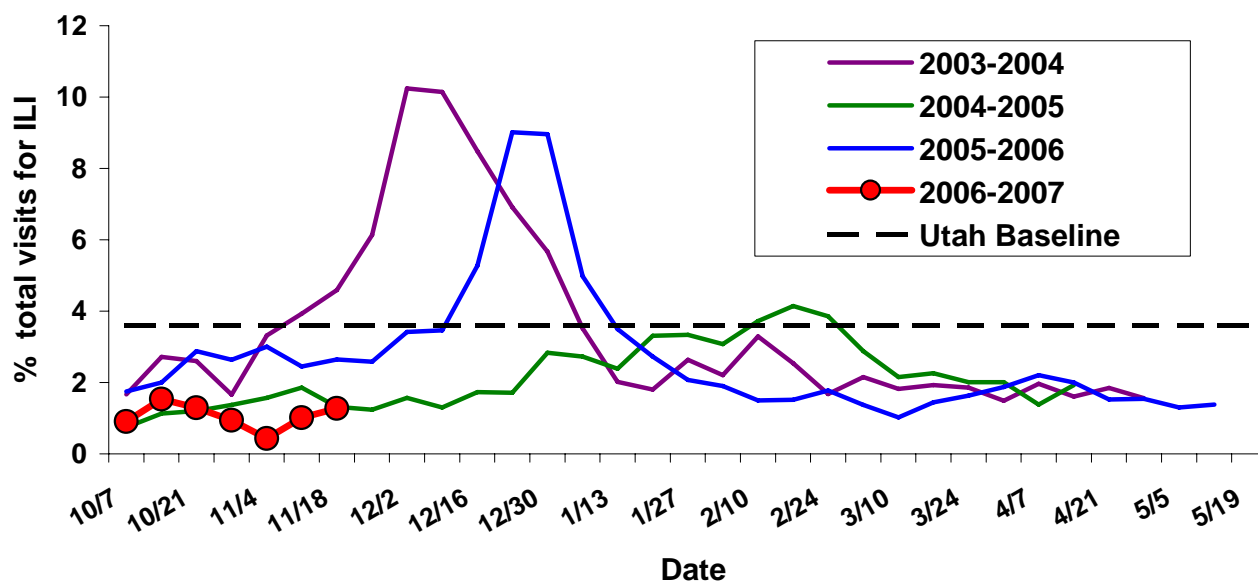


INFLUENZA PREVENTION

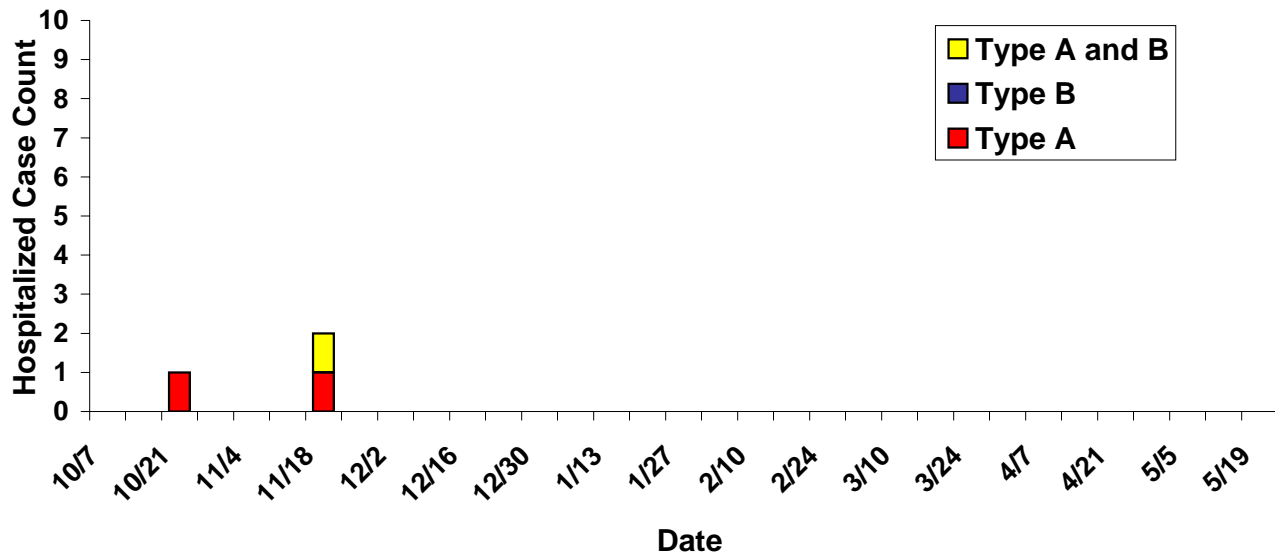
How to protect yourself and others:

1. Utahns should get an influenza vaccine.
**Contact your provider or the Immunization Hotline (1-800-275-0659) to locate an influenza shot.
2. All Utahns should practice "respiratory etiquette" to reduce the spread of respiratory diseases.
** Stay away from other people when you are sick.
** Cover your mouth and nose with a disposable tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue away.
** Wash your hands.
3. We urge schools and employers to be supportive of these preventive measures.

**Percentage of Visits for Influenza-Like Illness (ILI)
Reported by Sentinel Providers, Utah Summary 2006-2007
and Previous 3 Seasons**



Influenza-Associated Hospitalizations by Week and by Virus Type, Utah 2006-2007 Season



Sentinel School Absenteeism by Week, Utah 2006-2007 Season

